

House Resolution No. 2276

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State governmental employees who have demonstrated unquestionable courage and astute decision-making abilities when faced with unexpected challenges and situations in life; and

Whereas, Allen Walker of Houston, Missouri, is a Corrections Officer II at the South Central Correctional Center; and

Whereas, initially hired by the Missouri Department of Corrections on October 18, 1995, CO II Allen Walker has earned distinction for his activities while on duty during December 2002; and

Whereas, when an offender at the South Central Correctional Center was observed having a seizure in the gymnasium, CO II Allen Walker responded with a group of fellow officers and applied CPR before, during, and after ambulance transport of the victim to a local hospital; and

Whereas, although the offender did not recover from his medical emergency, the calm, timely, and skillful intervention by CO II Allen Walker in a dangerous situation demonstrated levels of dedication and professionalism which stand as appropriate standards for his colleagues to emulate; and

Whereas, CO II Allen Walker will be recognized by the Missouri Department of Corrections on Thursday, May 29, 2003, when it grants him a Lifesaver Award for going far beyond his regular duties at great personal risk to help prevent a life-threatening situation; and

Whereas, CO II Allen Walker also deserves note of his many other successes in life which include an Associate's degree in criminal justice from Drury University in Springfield and appearances on that educational institution's Dean's List, participation in E-Squad activities, and an earlier Department of Corrections Lifesaver Award:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to salute CO II Allen Walker and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest commendation of his unselfish actions during December 2002, when he strived to save a human life; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Department of Corrections Officer II Allen Walker of Houston, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Mark Hampton
District No. 147

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2276, adopted April 29, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker